



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Hip hop is engrained into America's culture and collective consciousness; and
- WHEREAS: The Hip Hop Declaration of Peace was presented on Wednesday, May 16, 2001, at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. It was designed to establish the global hip hop culture as an international culture of peace and prosperity; and
- WHEREAS: The Hip Hop Declaration of Peace was created for the clarification of the meaning and purpose of hip hop, or when the good intentions of hip hop are questioned. It serves as an empowering 'Code of Conduct' and its principles establish a foundation of health, love, awareness, and wealth in order to sustain the peaceful character of hip hop culture; and
- WHEREAS: Since 1998, every third week in May has been designated as Hip Hop Appreciation Week. During this time, communities are encouraged to honor their ancestors, reflect upon their cultural contributions, and appreciate the elements and principles of hip hop culture; and
- WHEREAS: The goal of Hip Hop Appreciation Week is to amplify the positive work artists are doing in their communities through hip hop culture.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 19-25, 2014, as:

HIP HOP APPRECIATION WEEK

in the State of Minnesota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 12th day of May.




GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE